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# Ala Wai Canal to be Dredged

The Ala Wai Canal, after collecting silt and mud for 20 years, is slated for dredging by the state and city. A draft environmental assessment for the project is available for public review and comment.

Constructed in the 1920s to serve as a drainage way, the Ala Wai is now important as a sediment basin that reduces the discharge of silted run-off from the watershed into the nearshore coastal waters of Waikiki. The canal and its banks also attract recreational activities such as sightseeing, walking, jogging, canoe paddling, kayaking, fishing, and crabbing.

Removing the accumulated sediment will decrease flooding risk, improve

#### East Kapolei Master Plan

1,300 acres of state lands in East Kapolei, Oahu are slated for housing and recreational facilities to generate income to support the new University of Hawaii - West Oahu Campus. Large-lot parcels will be improved with major infrastructure and sold by the Hawaii Finance and Development Corporation to individual developers.

The project will be built in accordance with the East Kapolei Master Plan into a mix of single and multi-family homes, schools, parks, open space and recreational land uses. 200 acres have been set aside for the Department of Hawaiian Homelands to build housing units.

A sports complex is also planned for a 63 acre parcel makai of Kapolei Parkway. The complex will be state owned and could be made available to professional baseball teams for their spring training needs.

One endangered plant species was identified and will be protected on the property. Kaloi Stream will be channelized and plans include grass and concrete lined channels and detention basins to handle peak flows and to store the runoff due to the development. For more, please see page 5.

conditions for recreational users and restore sediment holding capacity. The dredging will be by hydraulic or mechanical methods and sediments will be transported to a barge at Magic Island. The barge will then deliver the dredged materials to either the Reef Runway, Sand Island, Waipio Peninsula or the South Oahu Ocean Dredge Material Disposal Site.

Impacts from the project include siltation, removal of benthic communities, inconvenience to recreational users of canal waters and certain park land parcels, increase in ocean traffic and use of parking stalls in staging areas. For more information, please see page 3.

#### Puna Hot Baths, Golf and Therapy Complex

A&O International Corporation will prepare an EIS for a sports and health spa complex in Puna. The project will include *onsen* (hot bath) ponds, a 40-unit lodge, 125 "chalet" dwelling units, a beach club, golf courses, a restaurant/retail complex, agricultural open space and walking trails.

In 1990 the applicant proposed a 36 hole golf course but decided to reduce the course to 27 holes and redesign the project to better fit the site's unique resources and rural setting. The project could impact stands of native alahe'e shrubland, the ope'ape'a (Hawaiian bat), the 'io (hawk), anchialine ponds and the geothermal water resource underlying the site. See page 13.

#### **Additional Training Classes**

Our readers have reserved all the seats in OEQC's in-service training class. Due to the overwhelming demand, we are scheduling 3 new classes on Oahu.

Additional classes will be held on Friday, May 22; Wednesday, June 10; and Monday, July 13 from 9 to 11 a.m.

Call or fax us to reserve your seat today!

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May 8, 1998 **Draft Environmental Assessments** (1) Ala Wai Canal Dredging District: Honolulu 2 TMK: Not applicable Department of Land and **Applicant:** Natural Resources 1151 Punchbowl Street Honolulu, Hawaii 96813 Contact: Andrew Monden (587-5 0230)and U.S. Department of Transportation Federal Highway Administration

**Approving Agency/Accepting** 

**Authority**: Same as above.

**Consultant**: Belt Collins Hawaii, Ltd.

680 Ala Moana Boulevard, First Floor

Honolulu, Hawaii 96813

300 Ala Moana Boulevard Honolulu, Hawaii 96850 Contact: Pat Phung (541-2536)

Contact: Molly Kihara (521-5361)

**Public Comment** 

**Deadline**: June 8, 1998

**Status**: DEA First Notice pending public comment.

Address comments to the applicant with copies to the consultant and OEQC.

**Permits** Section 4(f) consistency determination; **Required**: army permit; water quality certification;

CZM; CDUA and letter permit for work in ocean waters; SMA use permit; shoreline setback variance; solid waste; NPDES;

noise; air

The proposed project is the dredging of the Ala Wai Canal to restore sediment holding capacities in the proposed dredge areas, decrease risk of flooding in surrounding areas during high intensity storm events, and improve conditions for recreational use of the Ala Wai Canal and its environs. The anticipated project duration is approximately one year; the projected start date is 1999.

The areas considered for dredging extend from the Ala Moana Boulevard Bridge to the Kapahulu Avenue end, and include the Manoa-Palolo Drainage Canal up to the Date Street Bridge. The proposed action has six components: (1) limits of dredging; (2) dredging methodology; (3) sediment transportation; (4) use of waters and shore-side lands for dredging support operations (staging and material transfer); (5) sediment processing; and (6) sediment disposal or reuse. Various combinations of options for each component comprise project alternatives. Only those options that individually and collectively have no substantial impacts remain viable.

The two main project alternatives are hydraulic dredging with pipeline transport, or mechanical dredging with scow transport. Both have a choice of four options of shore-side support areas (Kapahulu Avenue end site, Ala Wai Neighborhood Park A, vacant lot on Kalakaua Avenue, and Magic Island), both would need a barge at Magic Island, both could use ocean disposal for a portion of the sediment disposal (at the South Oahu Ocean Dredged Material Disposal Site), both have a choice of gravity or mechanical dewatering and/or use of additives for sediment processing, and both have a choice of one of three upland placement sites (Reef Runway, Sand Island, and the City and County Waipahu Ash Landfill at Waipio Peninsula). Operating constraints for these alternatives will be included in the construction bid specifications developed during final design.

A public meeting is tentatively scheduled for June 2, 1998. Further information will be provided in a public notice to appear in the Honolulu Advertiser and Star-Bulletin.

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#### (2) Freitas Dairy Subdivision

**District**: Waianae

**TMK**: 8-5-04:01, 58, 104, 41 (por.)

**Applicant**: Department of Hawaiian Home Lands

P.O. Box 1879

Honolulu, Hawaii 96805

Contact: Michael McElroy (587-6453)

Approving Agency/Accepting

**Authority**: Department of Hawaiian Home Lands

P.O. Box 1879

Honolulu, Hawaii 96805

Contact: Michael McElroy (587-6453)

**Consultant**: Gerald Park Urban Planner (942-7484)

1400 Rycroft Street, Suite 876

Honolulu, Hawaii 96814

**Public Comment** 

**Deadline**: June 8, 1998

**Status**: DEA First Notice pending public comment.

Address comments to the applicant with copies to the consultant and OEQC.

**Permits** 

**Required**: Consolidation/Subdivision, Demolition of

Structure, Grading Permit, Sewer Connection, Best Management Practices, Construction in Road Right of Way, Building Permits (Various), Water Connection, Environmental Hazards Disposal

The Department of Hawaiian Home Lands (DHHL), State of Hawaii, proposes to develop a subdivision for residential and agricultural uses on DHHL owned land located at Waianae Homesteads, Waianae District, Oahu, Hawaii.

The project will produce 14 agricultural and 32 self-help residential lots and infrastructure improvements. The lots will be leased to eligible Native Hawaiian beneficiaries qualified to lease under the Hawaiian Homes Commission Act.

Agricultural lots will be first made available for relocation of prior awardees of agricultural lots at Paheehee Ridge. Lots at the latter location have been determined to be prohibitively expensive to service with infrastructure. "Selfhelp" residential lots whereby awardees construct their own dwellings will be made available to qualified applicants on the Oahu waiting list.

Construction funded by the Hawaiian Homes Trust Fund will complete roads, infrastructure, utilities, and other subdivision improvements. At the conclusion of subdivision work, both residential and agricultural lots will be "ready to build".

Subdivision and infrastructure improvements are estimated to cost between \$2.6 to \$3.0 million. House construction costs are not available at this time. Construction of subdivision improvements will commence after all necessary approvals are received and should be completed within nine months.



#### (3) Kalihi Exploratory Well IV

**District**: Honolulu **TMK**: 1-4-18:06

**Applicant**: City and County of Honolulu

Board of Water Supply 630 South Beretania Street Honolulu, Hawaii 96843

Contact: Barry Usagawa (527-5235)

Approving Agency/Accepting

**Authority**: City and County of Honolulu

Board of Water Supply 630 South Beretania Street Honolulu, Hawaii 96843

Contact: Brooks Yuen (527-6180)

Consultant: CH2M Hill

1585 Kapiolani Boulevard, Suite 1420

Honolulu, Hawaii 96814-4530

Contact: Paul Luersen (943-7135 x 201)

**Public Comment** 

**Deadline**: June 8, 1998

**Status**: DEA First Notice pending public comment.

Address comments to the applicant with copies to the approving agency or accepting

authority, the consultant and OEQC.

**Permits** CDUA, well construction, pump installation

**Required**: & water use permits, noise permit

The City and County of Honolulu Board of Water Supply (BWS) proposes to drill and case an exploratory water well at its Kalihi 614 Reservoir site in Kalihi Valley on the leeward side of the Koolau Mountains. This exploratory well will be drilled within the existing 1.3-acre BWS site located about 1 mile below the Wilson Tunnel portal. The proposed Kalihi Exploratory Well IV is expected to be capable of yielding 0.25 million gallons per day of potable water.

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The drilling and casing of this exploratory well is one step of a process that the BWS utilizes to obtain hydrogeological data on the potential of new groundwater resources. Following the drilling and casing of the exploratory well, test pumping of the well will be performed to determine if the quantity and quality of the water from this exploratory well are suitable for development. If the quantity and quality of the water are suitable for development, it may be possible to convert the exploratory well into a production well. However, if either the quantity or quality of the water proves to be unsuitable for a production well, the exploratory well will be sealed and abandoned.

This environmental assessment (EA) focuses only on the drilling, casing, and testing of this exploratory well. The proposed action will also include the temporary installation of a pump, piping, and appurtenances. All construction work will be within the BWS's existing 1.3-acre Kalihi 614 Reservoir site.

# Final Environmental Assessments/FONSI



#### (4) Salt Lake Boulevard 36-Inch Transmission Main

**District**: Honolulu

TMK: 1-1-17, 18, 21 and 71
Applicant: City and County of Honolulu

Board of Water Supply 630 South Beretania Street Honolulu, Hawaii 96843

Contact: Barry Usagawa (527-5235)

Approving Agency/Accepting

**Authority**: City and County of Honolulu

Board of Water Supply 630 South Beretania Street Honolulu, Hawaii 96843

Contact: Brooks Yuen (527-6180)

**Consultant**: Akinaka & Associates, Ltd.

250 N. Beretania Street, Suite 300

Honolulu, Hawaii 96817

Contact: Sheldon Yamasato (536-7721)

**Public Challenge** 

**Deadline**: June 8, 1998

**Status**: FEA/FONSI issued, project may proceed.

Permits

**Required**: NPDES

The Honolulu Board of Water Supply proposes to install approximately 4,800 linear feet of 36-inch transmission main within Salt Lake Boulevard from Maluna Street to Ala Lilikoi Street. The proposed project will provide additional transmission capacity from Pearl Harbor to Honolulu. The new main will also be an integral part of the Moanalua subarea system and will ensure continuity of service during maintenance and repair of existing transmission mains. Installation procedures will include removal of pavement, trench excavation, bedding and pipe placement, backfilling and compaction, embankment work and pavement restoration. The proposed main will be installed in segments to minimize the impact of the project to the motorists. Excavated material will not be stockpiled along the side of the trench, but instead be removed from the site and returned by the contractor during backfilling activities, if suitable. When an installed segment is ready for hydrotesting, the subsequent trench segment will be partially excavated. Hydrotesting water will then be disposed of in the next trench section. Hydrotesting water for the last segment of the main will be collected and trucked away for disposal. The estimated construction cost is 5.26 million dollars and is estimated to last approximately 16 months.

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#### (5) East Kapolei Master Plan Development Project

**District**: Ewa

**TMK**: 9-1-16:8,108,109; 9-1-17:4,71; 9-1-18:3,5 **Applicant**: Housing Finance and Development Corp.

677 Queen Street, Suite 300 Honolulu, Hawaii 96813 Contact: Roy Oshiro (587-0640)

Approving Agency/Accepting

**Authority**: Governor, State of Hawaii

c/o Office of Environmental Quality Control 235 South Beretania Street, Suite 702

Honolulu, Hawaii 96813

Consultant: PBR Hawaii

1001 Bishop Street, Pacific Tower 650

Honolulu, Hawaii 96813

Contact: David Hulse (521-5631)

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#### **Public Comment**

**Deadline**: June 22, 1998

**Status**: DEIS First Notice pending public comment.

Address comments to the applicant with copies to the approving agency or accepting

authority, the consultant and OEQC.

Permits State Land Use District Boundary

**Required**: Amendment, NPDES, Building, Grading,

U.S. Army permits

The overall project goals and objectives established by the State Legislature and the State Housing Finance and Development Corporation (HFDC) are essentially two fold: 1) to create more housing, recreational, and support facilities in the Ewa Development Plan area for residents of Hawaii, and; 2) to generate income from State-owned land in support of a new West Oahu Campus for the University of Hawaii which is planned mauka of the H-1 Freeway.

The concept for the East Kapolei Master Plan Development Project includes a mix of single-family, multi-family, commercial, public facility, (i.e., school parcels), parks, open space, and recreational land uses. A major sports complex is also planned for a 63 acre parcel makai of Kapolei Parkway. The conceptual land use allocation is as follows:

Area (Acres)*
722.5
210.9
18
64.3
35.9
56
192.4
1,300

<sup>\*</sup>The acres shown here are approximate and are for general planning purposes only.

To achieve the stated objectives, large-lot development parcels would be developed with required major infrastructure and sold by HFDC to individual developers. None of the proposed land uses (i.e. residential, commercial) will be developed by HFDC. Rather, dwelling units and small neighborhood commercial parcels will be developed by the private sector in accordance with the East Kapolei Master Plan. The number of actual units developed, their type, and pricing will be dependent on market conditions at the time of development and applicable zoning restrictions. However, all developers will be required to comply with applicable City zoning regulations and the City's affordable housing policy.

Backbone infrastructure consisting of major roadways, a large park-and-ride facility, implementation of a drainage system, water and wastewater system master plans, expansion of electrical and communication systems, and development of open space recreation areas will be provided by HFDC. All other applicable site plans and development programs for the area will be implemented by future developers.

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# (6) Voyager Submarines Hawaii Artificial Reef Installation

**District**: Honolulu

**TMK**: Offshore of 2-3-37

**Applicant**: Voyager Submarines Hawaii

680 Iwilei Road, Suite 720 Honolulu, Hawaii 96817 Contact: JC Merrill (532-4222)

Approving Agency/Accepting

**Authority**: Department of Land and Natural Resources

Land Division

1151 Punchbowl Street Honolulu, Hawaii 96813 Contact: Tom Eisen (587-0377)

**Consultant**: Sea Engineering, Inc.

Makai Research Pier

Waimanalo, Hawaii 96795-1820 Contact: Marc Ericksen (259-7966)

Status: Accepted by the Land Division, Depart-

ment of Land and Natural Resources on

May 1, 1998.

**Permits** 

**Required**: CDUA

Voyager Submarines Hawaii commenced operations in November 1994 to provide passenger submarine tours of Hawaii's marine aquatic and reef ecosystems. The company currently operates two 48-passenger submarines out of Kewalo Basin, offering submarine tours at a site located approximately 3/4 mile offshore of Ala Moana Beach Park, in water depths of 60 to 110 feet. The 45 minute tour follows the edge of a limestone shelf with a 5 to 10 foot ledge at the seaward margin. There is little live coral growth on the limestone platform; seaward of this is barren sand. Because of

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the depleted fishery and limited live coral in the sand bottom area, Voyager proposes to sink two derelict vessels on the site to serve as artificial reefs to enhance the habitat and promote coral and fish growth. The vessels will be cleaned and prepared according to State and Federal regulations, will be placed in the barren, sandy areas at locations approved by the reviewing agencies, and will be ballasted with concrete to prevent movement during extreme storm conditions. The deployment procedure will be carefully designed to ensure that the ships settle in the selected location. In addition, Voyager proposes to install six submerged mooring buoys at the site; one on each sunken ship, and four others in the immediate vicinity of the ships. The two buoys on the ships will be dedicated for public access by other site users. Two other buoys will be used to moor the Voyager support vessels. The remaining two will be shared by Voyager and other site users. Day-use surface mooring buoys will be attached to the submerged buoys daily by the Voyager personnel. The surface buoys will alert divers and fishermen to the position of the ships, and will provide them with an easy and safe alternative to anchoring, which is destructive to coral reefs, and also might endanger divers and the submarines below.

#### National Environmental Policy Act (NEPA)



#### (7) Kaneohe Marine Corps Base Hawaii Construction of Bachelor Enlisted Quarters (EA/FONSI)

**District**: Koolaupoko **TMK**: Portion of 4-4-08

**Applicant**: Department of the Navy, Pacific Division

Naval Facilities Engineering Command Pearl Harbor, Hawaii 96860-7300 Contact: Mel Ramos, Code 231MR (471-

9338)

Approving Agency/Accepting

**Authority**: Command General

Marine Corps Base Hawaii Attn: LE, Bldg. 1360, Box 63002 Kaneohe, Hawaii 96863-3002

Contact: Ron Yamada (257-6920 x 229)

**Consultant**: Belt Collins Hawaii Ltd.

680 Ala Moana Boulevard, First Floor

Honolulu, Hawaii 96813

Contact: Molly Kihara (521-5361)

Pursuant to Council on Environmental Quality Regulations (40 CFR Parts 1500-1508) implementing procedural provisions of the National Environmental Policy Act, the Department of the Navy gives notice that an Environmental Assessment (EA) has been prepared and an Environmental Impact Statement is not required for the proposed construction of bachelor enlisted quarters (MILCON P-439) at Marine Corps Base Hawaii, Kaneohe Bay, Oahu, Hawaii.

As part of a comprehensive plan to upgrade bachelor enlisted quarters (BEQs) at Marine Corps Base Hawaii, Kaneohe Bay, the U.S. Marine Corps proposes to replace old inadequate housing with a new BEQ for 300 to 340 enlisted personnel. The proposed action will construct two 2-story and two 3-story building complexes on a 20,000-square-meter (215,300-square-foot) site. Supporting facilities to be built include parking lots, recreational facilities, and walkways. Pre-construction site preparation will include on-site relocation of an existing steel-framed pavilion and demolition of a handball court and wood pavilion. Upon relocation of enlisted personnel from nearby BEQ Buildings 1031, 1032, 1046, and 1047, these buildings with a total footprint of about 5,200 square meters (56,000 square feet) will be demolished.

A portion of the site is located within the 100-year floodplain of an adjacent drainage ditch. Alternatives to avoid adverse effects and incompatible development in the floodplain have been considered; due to land use constraints the only practicable alternative is to construct in a floodplain. Only flood-tolerant supporting facilities will be located in the floodplain; vertical or building construction is located outside the floodplain to avoid potential loss resulting from flood hazards. The EA serves as a Statement of Findings and public notification pursuant to Executive Order 11988.

Based on information gathered during preparation of the EA, the Department of the Navy finds that the proposed construction of BEQs (MILCON P-439) at Marine Corps Base Hawaii, Kaneohe Bay, Oahu, Hawaii will not significantly impact the environment.

The EA and FONSI addressing this action may be obtained from: Commander, Pacific Division, Naval Facilities Engineering Command, Pearl Harbor, Hawaii 96860-7300 (Attention: Mr. Mel Ramos, Code 231MR), telephone (808) 471-9338, fax (808) 474-5909.

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#### **Notice of Withdrawal**



#### Ecosystem Management Plans (Draft) for Oahu Training Areas and the Pohakuloa Training Area, Island of Hawaii

The Environmental Division, Directorate of Public Works, U.S. Army Garrison, Hawaii, announced in 1997 that draft **Ecosystem Management Plans** (**EMPs**) for all Army training areas in the State of Hawaii were available for public review. Army training areas included in the plans were: Schofield Barracks, Makua Military Reservation, Kahuku Training Area, Kawailoa Training Area, and Dillingham Military Reservation, all on the Island of Oahu, and the Pohakuloa Training Area on the Island of Hawaii. Lands covered by the plans included both fee-owned as well as leased lands. The plans described existing and proposed methods to avoid and mitigate training impacts on endangered species and archaeological sites, prevent range fires, minimize soil erosion, and provide additional recreational opportunities to the public.

At the same time that the plans were made available for public review, the Army initiated consultation with the U.S. Fish and Wildlife Service as required by Section 7 of the Endangered Species Act for routine training activities at these installations. The Army's intent at the time was to use the Ecosystem Management Plans as the biological assessment in the Section 7 consultation process. In the biological assessment, the Federal agency (in this case, the Army) describes the action on which it is consulting, assesses the impacts on threatened and endangered species, and proposes ways to avoid or mitigate those impacts.

USFWS and other reviewers commented that the Ecosystem Management Plans lacked sufficient detail in their descriptions of routine training activities to analyze impacts. Therefore, at this time, the plans are being withdrawn. The Army is in the process of rewriting the plans subject to completion of Section 7 consultation process.

After the plans are revised, the Army will prepare an Environmental Assessment (EA) and publish a Finding of No Significant Impact (FONSI) in the *Environmental Notice*.

# **Previously Published Projects Pending Public Comments**

#### **Draft Environmental Assessments**

# **★** Honolulu Harbor Domestic Commercial Fishing Village (Piers 36-38)

**Applicant**: Department of Transportation

Harbors Division

79 South Nimitz Highway Honolulu, Hawaii 96813 Contact: Fred Pascua (587-1958)

**Approving Agency/Accepting Authority**: Same as above.

**Public Comment** 

**Deadline**: May 26, 1998

#### **★** Kalakaua Avenue Bridge Improvements

**Applicant**: Department of Transportation

869 Punchbowl Street Honolulu, Hawaii 96813

Contact: Edmund Yoshida (587-2122)

**Approving Agency/Accepting Authority**: Same as above.

**Public Comment** 

**Deadline**: May 26, 1998

#### **★** Kualoa Ranch Communication Site

**Applicant**: Western PCS II Corporation

99-860 Iwaena Street Aiea, Hawaii 96701

Contact: Cher Sullivan (255-4036)

**Approving Agency/Accepting** 

**Authority**: City and County of Honolulu

Department of Land Utilization 650 South King Street, 7th Floor

Honolulu, Hawaii 96813

Contact: Dana Teramoto (523-4648)

**Public Comment** 

**Deadline**: May 26, 1998

May 8, 1998

#### **Draft Environmental Impact Statements**

#### **★** Kakaako Makai Area Plan (Supplemental)

**Applicant**: Hawaii Community Development Authority

677 Ala Moana Boulevard, Suite 1001

Honolulu, Hawaii 96813 Contact: Jan Yokota (587-2870)

Approving Agency/Accepting

Authority: Governor, State of Hawaii

c/o Office of Environmental Quality Control

235 South Beretania Street Honolulu, Hawaii 96813

**Public Comment** 

**Deadline**: May 26, 1998



# City and County of Honolulu East Honolulu Development Plan Revision Program Public Information Meeting

When: Wednesday, May 20, 1998

Time: 7:00 - 9:00 p.m.

Where: Aina Haina Elementary School

Cafetorium

801 West Hind Drive, Aina Haina

Purpose: \* To distribute copies of the revised
East Honolulu Development Plan

\* To outline its contents

\* To present changes made as a result of comments received on the Public Review Draft (Septem-

ber 1997)

\* To describe the schedule for approval and adoption of the plan

Planning Commission public hearing

- City Council public hearings, review & adoption

If you have any questions or need more information, please call Ralph Ukishima at 527-6072 or Gordon Wood at 527-6073.

This public information meeting is not a public hearing; public testimony will not be received.

# **Maui Notices**

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#### (1) Upper Happy Valley Fire Protection Improvements

**District**: Wailuku

**TMK**: 3-3-2:1; 3-4-34:4, 5, 7, 24, 34, 80, 82, 83,

101, 103, 109; 3-4-35:4, 38, 41, 42

**Applicant**: County of Maui

Department of Water Supply 200 South High Street Wailuku, Hawaii 96793

Contact: David Craddick (243-7816)

**Approving Agency/Accepting Authority**: County of Maui

Department of Water Supply

200 South High Street Wailuku, Hawaii 96793

Contact: David Craddick (243-7816)

**Consultant**: Munekiyo, Arakawa & Hiraga, Inc.

305 High Street, Suite 104 Wailuku, Hawaii 96793

Contact: Milton Arakawa (244-2015)

**Public Comment** 

**Deadline**: June 8, 1998

**Status**: DEA First Notice pending public comment.

Address comments to the applicant with copies to the consultant and OEQC.

**Permits** 

**Required**: None

The County of Maui, Department of Water Supply, proposes to construct approximately 3,500 lineal feet of 8-inch waterline, approximately 500 lineal feet of 4-inch waterline, fire hydrants and related appurtenances in Happy Valley, Maui.

Regarding the 8-inch waterline, approximately 1,300 lineal feet of waterline are proposed on Kahawai Street, approximately 625 lineal feet on Konahea Street, approximately 525 lineal feet on Nenea Street, and approximately 1,050 lineal feet on Mokuhau Road. Additional fire hydrants are proposed along the waterline alignment to meet County standards. Four (4) new hydrants are also proposed on

Mokuhau Road between Konahea Street and Makua Street. The proposed 4-inch waterline replaces an existing 2-inch waterline which extends from Konahea Street to service a number of existing interior parcels.

Construction start is anticipated to be in January 1999 with completion anticipated by June 1999. The estimated construction cost is approximately \$865,000.00.

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# (2) Keanae Restoration of Lo'i Kalo and Taro Cultivation Project

**District**: Hana **TMK**: 1-1-8:05

**Applicant**: Na Moku Aupuni O Koʻolau Hui

HC 1, Box 62, Wailuanui Road

Haiku, Hawaii 96708

Contact: Edward Wendt (248-8658)

# **Maui Notices**

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Approving Agency/Accepting

**Authority**: Department of Land and Natural Resources

Land Division

54 South High St., Room 101 Wailuku, Hawaii 96793

Contact: Philip Ohta (984-8100)

**Public Challenge** 

**Deadline**: June 8, 1998

**Status**: FEA/FONSI issued, project may proceed.

**Permits** 

**Required**: Lease of state lands

The proposed project will provide Na Moku Aupuni O Koʻolau Hui the opportunity to restore the abandoned loʻi kalo, continued maintenance of the streams located within the subject parcel, and provide a land base for the Hui to sponsor activities which complies with its mission statement, specifically to educate and to perpetuate traditional kanaka maoli (indigenous) cultural practices, including but not limited to, taro cultivation and gathering of plant and animal species.

The project is located in the Keanae-Wailuanui ahupua'a. The Waiokamilo and Hamao streams are part of this parcel. The parcel is known as a portion of the Ili of Kupa'u.



#### (3) Keanae Well No. 2

District: Hana
TMK: 1-1-04:43
Applicant: County of Maui

Department of Water Supply

P.O. Box 1109

Wailuku, Hawaii 96793-7109 Contact: David Craddick (243-7186)

Approving Agency/Accepting

Authority: County of Maui

Department of Water Supply

P.O. Box 1109

Wailuku, Hawaii 96793-7109 Contact: David Craddick (243-7186)

Consultant: C. Takumi Engineering, Inc.

18 Central Avenue Wailuku, Hawaii 96793

Contact: Carl Takumi (249-0411)

**Public Challenge** 

**Deadline**: June 8, 1998

**Status**: FEA/FONSI issued, project may proceed.

**Permits** SMA; well drilling & pump **Required**: installation; construction

The County of Maui, Department of Water Supply is proposing the construction of Keanae Well No. 2 in Keanae, Maui, Hawaii. The location of the proposed well is approximately 75 feet west of the existing Keanae Well (5108-01), approximately 2,500 feet from the ocean and at about elevation 220 feet mean sea level. The existing well is presently the only source of water for the Department's Keanae Water System. The Keanae Well 2 will be used as a "back-up" to the existing Keanae Well for a more reliable source of water in case of pump failure in the existing well.

The project will involve the construction of an exploratory well including drilling, casing and pump testing. The exploratory well will be constructed to the basal aquifer. Pump testing will determine the quantity and water quality at the well site. If feasible, the Department will install a permanent pump, piping and other appurtenances to connect to the existing well piping. The present well has a 100 gpm; the proposed well will have a pump of similar pump capacity as a back-up well.

The proposed project is not anticipated to have any significant environmental impacts; therefore, a "Finding of No Significant Impact" has been made by the Department.

#### Previously Published Projects Pending Public Comments

#### **Draft Environmental Assessments**

#### **™** Wailuku Parkside

**Applicant**: Stanford S. Carr Development Corporation

745 Fort Street, Suite 2110 Honolulu, Hawaii 96813

Contact: Stanford Carr (537-5220)

Approving Agency/Accepting

**Authority**: County of Maui Planning Department

250 South High Street Wailuku, Hawaii 96793

Contact: Clayton Yoshida (243-7735)

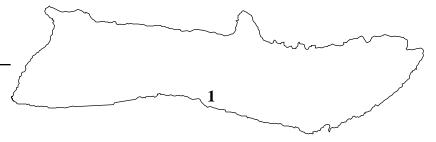
**Deadline**: May 26, 1998



# **Molokai Notices**

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#### (1) Moloka'i Education Center

**District**: Moloka'i **TMK**: 5-3-03:1 (por.)

Applicant: Maui Community College

310 Kaahumanu Avenue Kahului, Hawaii 96732

Contact: Clyde Sakamoto (242-1213)

**Approving Agency/Accepting** 

**Authority**: Maui Community College

310 Kaahumanu Avenue Kahului, Hawaii 96732

Contact: Clyde Sakamoto (242-1213)

**Consultant**: PBR Hawaii

1001 Bishop Street, Suite 650 Honolulu, Hawaii 96813

Contact: Yukie Ohashi (521-5631)

**Public Comment** 

**Deadline**: June 8, 1998

**Status**: DEA First Notice pending public comment.

Address comments to the applicant with copies to the consultant and OEQC.

**Permits** 

**Required**: Special Use Permit and SMA minor permit

The overall goal is to develop a permanent campus facility for the Moloka'i Education Center, a post-secondary facility of the Maui Community College. As part of the University of Hawai'i system, the Moloka'i Education Center will provide learning opportunities for Moloka'i residents to obtain vocational and academic training in preparation for future employment.

Currently, Moloka'i Education Center operates out of several borrowed and rented locations scattered throughout the island. This arrangement is inefficient and does not provide for technological expansion. Since Maui Community College serves residents on three islands, distance education services through intra- and inter-campus telecommunications technology (e.g., interactive television, conferencing, data transmission) are an integral part of operational requirements.

The Phase 1 project components include a Main Building with three wings to house the Administrative

Offices, Distance Learning and Technology Center, Library/ Learning Center, Classrooms, landscaping, parking and a new access roadway.

The project conceptual long-range master plan will be developed in at least two phases, an initial Phase 1, and a Future Phase. Construction of Phase 1 infrastructure of the project is scheduled to commence in Summer 1998, and the building construction is scheduled to commence in Fall 1998. The completion of construction is expected by Summer 1999 and classes are scheduled to begin the Fall Session of 1999.

Determinants for the Future Phase development timetable and approximate costs would include an expressed need to expand the program and the availability of funding.

The total funds available for the project is \$4,125,450 which will be used to finance the on-site and off-site infrastructure development, building construction and equipment.

#### Previously Published Projects Pending Public Comments

#### **Draft Environmental Assessments**

#### **∼** Moloka'i Shoreline/Dune Planting Plan

**Applicant**: Mr. & Mrs. Michael Tahmoush

c/o Chris Hart & Partners 1955 Main Street, Suite 200 Wailuku, Hawaii 96793

Contact: Rory Frampton (242-1955)

Approving Agency/Accepting

**Authority**: Department of Land and Natural Resources

Land Division

1151 Punchbowl Street, Room 220

Honolulu, Hawaii 96813 Contact: Tom Eisen (587-0386)

**Public Comment** 

**Deadline**: May 26, 1998

# **Hawaii Notices**

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### **Final Environmental Assessments/Findings of No Significant Impacts (FONSI)**



#### (1) Puna Beachfront Parks Replacement

District: Puna

TMK: 1-3-08:16 & 33, 1-4-02:08

**Applicant:** County of Hawaii

Department of Parks and Recreation

25 Aupuni Street Hilo, Hawaii 96720

Contact: George Yoshida (961-8311)

Approving Agency/Accepting Authority: County of Hawaii

Department of Parks and Recreation

25 Aupuni Street Hilo, Hawaii 96720

Contact: George Yoshida (961-8311)

Consultant: Ron Terry, Ph.D. (982-5831)

HCR 9575

Keaau, Hawaii 96749

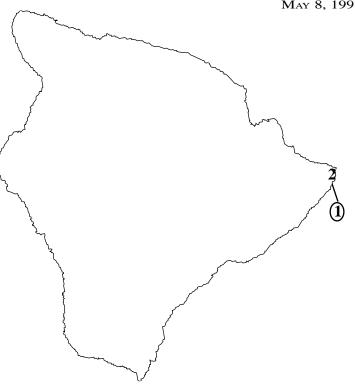
**Public Challenge** 

Deadline: June 8, 1998

Status: FEA/FONSI issued, project may proceed. **Permits** CZM consistency determination; SMA

Required: county building permits

The proposed action would have the County of Hawaii acquire 22 acres (mostly abandoned papaya fields) in order to expand the Isaac Hale Beach Park in Pohoiki. Several years of public planning have culminated in a design reflecting community needs and the site's constraints and opportunities. The purpose of the expansion is to support and provide parking for the following activities: ocean swimming, surfing, picnicking, group meetings and parties, sunbathing, snorkeling, spear fishing, net fishing, boat fishing, and volleyball and other lawn activities. Improvements would include a fenced parking lot for boat trailers, a separate public parking lot, a pavilion, restrooms, and a new road circulation system to divert traffic around the park and calm traffic within the park. Current land uses near the shoreline including parking and portable toilets would be directed away from the shoreline to more appropriate inland locations. Water lines already extend to the park; a solar unit will provide electrical power.



The EA is a joint federal/State document and has also been filed as a NEPA FONSI. In compliance with Executive Order 11988 (Floodplain Management) and the Federal Emergency Management Agency's implementing regulations (44 CFR Part 9), a public notice that further describes the reasons for siting facilities in the floodplain is also available for review at the Hilo and Pahoa Public Libraries.

#### **Environmental Impact Statement Preparation Notices (EISPN)**



#### (2) Oneloa Onsen and Sports Retreat

District: Puna TMK: 1-4-2:13

Applicant: **A&O** International Corporation

> c/o 458 Ponahawai Street Hilo, Hawaii 96720

Contact: David Matsuura (935-9060)

### **Hawaii Notices**

May 8, 1998

Approving Agency/Accepting

**Authority**: County of Hawaii

Planning Department 25 Aupuni Street Hilo, Hawaii 96720

Contact: Alice Kawaha or Susan Gagorik

(961-8288)

**Consultant**: Roy Takemoto Land Use Consultant (959-

0189)

P.O. Box 10217 Hilo, Hawaii 96721

**Public Comment** 

**Deadline**: June 8, 1998

Status: EISPN First Notice pending public com-

ment. Address comments to the applicant with copies to the approving agency or accepting authority, the consultant and

OEQC.

**Permits** Underground injection control; burial site **Required**: approval; well drilling; wastewater; NPDES

The proposed 494-acre site is located near the Pohoiki boat ramp. A&O International Corporation, a Hawaii corporation, proposes a sports and therapy complex that features hot baths ("onsen") developed from the geothermally-warmed groundwater underlying the subject site. The sports complex will include facilities for swimming, tennis, baseball, track and field, soccer, weight training, physical therapy, and other facilities. The facilities will be built to professional or Olympic standards. The project includes an 18-hole championship golf course and a 9-hole golf course. An integral part of the project is an agricultural and trail system easement that will link the facilities with the open spaces on the site. The open spaces include interpretive reserves for archaeological sites preserved in place, restoration of traditional plantings associated with the archaeological sites, and native forest areas. The agricultural areas will include the orchard, cut flowers, foliage, herb products, and equestrian center that will complement the wellness and healing components of the project. The project includes a 40unit lodge and a 30-unit beach club for short-term accommodations and 125 detached units for longer-term accommodations. Significant archaeological sites are located on the site that will be preserved in place. A flora/fauna survey found no endangered species; however, the survey did note the good condition of the native forest that will be incorporated into the proposed site plan. The project will include several other measures to mitigate community impacts. The mitigation measures will be memorialized in a development agreement. The project requires a General Plan amendment, State Land Use Boundary amendment, and Change of Zone for the proposed 15-acre commercial area and beach club.

#### **Notice of Withdrawal**



#### Ecosystem Management Plans (Draft) for Oahu Training Areas and the Pohakuloa Training Area, Island of Hawaii

Please refer to Oahu Notices on page 8.

#### Previously Published Projects Pending Public Comments

#### **Draft Environmental Assessments**

#### **▶** Makalei Acquisition of State Lands/Easements

**Applicant**: Makalei Hawaii Corporation

733 Bishop Street, Suite 1770 Honolulu, Hawaii 96813 Contact: Alton Nishiyama

Approving Agency/Accepting

**Authority**: Department of Land and Natural Resources

Land Division P.O. Box 621

Honolulu, Hawaii 96809 Contact: Eric Leong (587-0423)

**Public Comment** 

**Deadline**: May 26, 1998

#### **Final Environmental Impact Statements**

#### **▶** Waimea-Paauilo Watershed

**Status**: FEIS being reviewed by OEQC.

#### **BIG ISLAND TRAINING CLASSES**

OEQC has tentatively scheduled inservice training classes on Hawaii's environmental review system for:

Thursday, June 4th, 1-3 p.m. in Kailua-Kona and Friday, June 5th, 9-11 a.m. in Hilo.

Classes depend upon sufficient demand (minimum class size of 10). If you are interested in either of these classes, phone in your request to 586-4185. The public is welcome.

# **Kauai Notices**

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# Draft Environmental Assessments



#### (1) Ho'omalu Project

**District**: Lihue

TMK: 3-3-6-Road (portion)

**Applicant**: County of Kauai Housing Agency

4193 Hardy Street Lihue, Hawaii 96766

Contact: Jim Seitenzahl (241-6812)

Approving Agency/Accepting

**Authority**: County of Kauai Housing Agency

4193 Hardy Street Lihue, Hawaii 96766

Contact: Jim Seitenzahl (241-6812)

**Public Comment** 

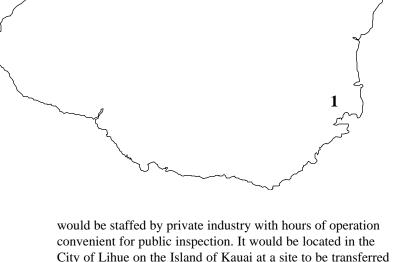
**Deadline**: June 8, 1998

**Status**: DEA First Notice pending public comment.

Address comments to the applicant with a

copy to OEQC.

The proposed project would involve construction of a building to serve as a Resource Center to house the Ho'omalu program. The Resource Center would be constructed using products and techniques that exhibit and demonstrate sound and retrofitting techniques to avoid storm damage. "Open" construction techniques would be used that leave exposed framing and other structures in portions of the Resource Center to clearly demonstrate how construction and retrofitting should occur. To this end, the Resource Center itself would serve as a demonstration feature that is integral to the proposed education and training program. The Resource Center would also provide facilities for exhibiting and demonstrating products, demonstrating alternative construction methods, and providing training sessions and seminars. It would also be used for providing information related to incentives for use of sound construction and retrofitting techniques, information for consumers and professionals, information from recent and ongoing research and development, information on energy efficiency, and information on termite mitigation. The Resource Center building would have offices, a library, classrooms, and a display area. It would provide handicap access to all facilities. The Resource Center



convenient for public inspection. It would be located in the City of Lihue on the Island of Kauai at a site to be transferred to the County of Kauai from the State of Hawaii, Department of Transportation at the intersection of Kaumualii Highway, Old Nawiliwili Road, and Hala Road.

#### Previously Published Projects Pending Public Comments

#### **Draft Environmental Impact Statements**

#### Pacific Missile Range Facility

**Applicant**: U.S. Navy

Pacific Missile Range Facility

P.O. Box 128

Kekaha, Kauai, Hawaii 96752-0128 Contact: Vida Mossman (335-4740)

Approving Agency/Accepting

**Authority**: Department of Land and Natural Resources

1151 Punchbowl Street Honolulu, Hawaii 96813 Contact: Gary Martin (587-0421)

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**Public Comment** 

**Deadline**: May 26, 1998

# **Shoreline Notices**

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#### **Shoreline Certification Applications**

Pursuant to §13-222-12, HAR the following shoreline certification applications are available for inspection at the DLNR District Land Offices on Kauai, Hawaii and Maui and at Room 220, 1151 Punchbowl St., Honolulu, Oahu (Tel: 587-0414). All comments shall be submitted in writing to the State Land Surveyor, 1151 Punchbowl Street, Room 210, Honolulu, HI 96813 and postmarked no later than fifteen (15) calendar days from the date of the public notice of the application.

Case No.	Date Received	Location Applicant		Tax Map Key
OA- 670	04/24/98	Lot 4, Haleaha Beach Lots, Haleaha, Koolauloa, Oahu (53-519 Kamehameha Highway)	Hawaii Land Consultants for Lorene Godfrey	5-3-06:24
MA- 195	04/17/98	Lot 94, Ld Ct App 1744 (Map 80), Hanakaoo, Lahaina, Maui (40 Kai Ala Drive)	Austin, Tsutsumi & Associates, Inc. for Nelson Living Trust	4-4-14:13
MO- 051	04/09/98	Esmt 164, Ld Ct App 1683, Map 23, Affecting a Por of Lot 403, Appurtenant to Lot 322, Ld Ct App 1683, Map 9, Kaluakoi, Molokai (not available)	Charles Busby for John & Elizabeth Perell	5-1-08:34

#### **Shoreline Certifications and Rejections**

Pursuant to §13-222-26, HAR the following shorelines have been certified or rejected by the DLNR. A person may appeal a certification or rejection to the BLNR, 1151 Punchbowl Street, Room 220, Honolulu, HI 96813, by requesting in writing a contested case hearing no later than twenty (20) calendar days from the date of public notice of certification or rejection.

Case No.	Date Cert/Rej	Location	Applicant	Tax Map Key
OA- 657	Certified 4/29/98	Lot 72, Ld Ct App 1052, Makaha, Edwin Yost for First Oahu (876 Moua Street) Hawaiian Bank		8-4-05:17
OA- 665	Certified 4/29/98	Lot 3, Ld Ct App 13, Waikiki, Honolulu, Oahu (2947 Kalakaua Avenue)  Robert Sing for Ocean Resort Hotel Corporation		3-1-32:29
OA- 667	Certified 4/29/98	Lot B, Por. of Lots 1 & 2 of File Plan 1742, Waikane, Koolaupoko, Oahu (48-487 Kamehameha Highway)	Robert Sing for Christian Katz	4-8-03:48

# **Land Use Commission Notices**

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#### Wailuku Parkside

The LUC has received the following request regarding a proposed district boundary amendment pursuant to Chapter 205. Hawaii Revised Statutes:

Docket No. A98-724

Petitioner: Stanford S. Carr Development Corporation

Location: Wailuku, Maui, Hawaii

Acreage: 24.267 acres

TMK: 3-4-30: 19, por. 20, and por. 23

Request: Agricultural to Urban Date Filed: April 14, 1998 If you would like further detailed information on this matter, please contact:

State Land Use Commission

Location Address
Leiopapa A Kamehameha Building
(State Office Tower)
235 S. Beretania Street, Room 406
Honolulu, Hawaii 96813

Mailing Address P.O. Box 2359

Honolulu, Hawaii 96804-2359

Phone: 587-3822

# **Environmental Council Notices**

#### **Tentative Meetings of the Environmental Council**

The Environmental Council is tentatively scheduled to meet on *Wednesday, May 20, 1998 at 4:00 p.m.* 

The Council's Exemption Committee, Cultural Impacts Committee, Rules Committee and Communication, Education & Legislation Committee are likely to meet the same day prior to the full Council meeting. Please call on or after May 14, 1998 for the final agenda and confirmation of date, time, and place.

Any person desiring to attend the meetings and requiring an acommodation (taped materials or sign language interpreter) may request assistance provided such a request is made five (5) working days prior to the scheduled meetings. This request may be made by writing to: Mr. Harlan Hashimoto, Chairperson, Environmental Council, c/o OEQC, 235 S. Beretania Street, Suite 702, Honolulu, Hawaii 96813 or by fax at (808) 586-4186.

# **Pollution Control Permits**

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#### **Department of Health Permits**

The following is a list of some pollution control permits currently being reviewed by the State Department of Health. For more information about any of the listed permits, please contact the appropriate branch or office of the Environmental Management Division at 919 Ala Moana Boulevard, Honolulu.

Branch & Permit Type	Applicant & Permit Number	Project Location	Pertinent Dates	Proposed Use
Clean Air Branch, 586- 4200, Noncovered Source Permit	Hawaiian Cement, # 0337-01-N	3271 Waapa Road, Lihue, Kauai	Issued: 4/21/98	Two Dust Collectors Servicing Cement Silos and Bagging Machine
CAB, Covered Source Permit	Hawaiian Electric Company, Inc., # 0238-01-C	Honolulu Generating Station, Honolulu, Oahu	Issued: 4/22/98	56 MW and 57 MW Boilers
CAB, Covered Source Permit	Maui Electric Company, Ltd., # 0231-01-C	Lanai City Generating Station, Lanai	Issued: 4/23/98	Two 1.0 MW Diesel Engine Generators
CAB, Covered Source Permit	Maui Electric Company, Ltd., # 0031-03-C	Palaau Generating Station, Palaau, Molokai	Issued: 4/23/98	Two 1.25 MW Diesel Engine Generators and 2.0 MW Combustion Turbine
Clean Water Branch, 586- 4309, NPDES Permit	US Naval Intermediate Maintenance Facility, # 98- CW-PW-3	Pearl Harbor Naval Complex, Oahu	Comments Due: 5/29/98	Discharge Chlorinated Cooling Water to Pearl Harbor Estuary
CWB, Water Quality Certification	Marine Corps Base Hawaii, # 98-CW-WQC-5	Marine Corps Base Hawaii, Kaneohe Bay, Oahu	Comments Due: 5/20/98	Upgrade Existing 15-inch Diameter Drain Line and Outfall to 10' Wide and 4' High Reinforced Box Drain

### **Federal Notices**

#### **Transfer of Hawaiian Monk Seals**

The National Marine Fisheries Service (NMFS) and the National Oceanic and Atmospheric Administration (NOAA) notes that Attractions Hawai'i, has applied for a permit to transfer five adult Hawaiian Monk Seals (*Monachus schauinslandi*) to Sea Life Park. Under NEPA, both NOAA and NMFS have determined that action is categorically excluded. Comments on this (Permit Application No. PHF# 898-1451) must be received on or before **MAY 28, 1998** (see, 63 F.R. 23276, April 28, 1998)

#### **EPA Speaks on FEIS for Ala Kahakai National Trail Study**

Pursuant to Section 309 of the Clean Air Act and Section 102(c) of NEPA, the EPA did not deem a review of the FEIS for the Ala Kahakai National Trail Study necessary and no formal comment letter was sent to the preparing agency (see, 63 F.R. 20404, April 24, 1998).

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# Final Standards and Guidelines for Historic Preservation Programs

The National Park Service, effective **APRIL 24, 1998**, has new standards/guidelines (**which have no regulatory effect**) for federal, state and tribal preservation programs. The guidelines include a sections on consultation with Native Hawaiian organizations and traditional cultural properties. For more information, please contact David Banks by telephone at (202) 343-9518, by facsimile at (202) 343-3921, or by email at david\_banks@nps.gov (see, 63 F.R. 20496, April 24, 1998).

#### Essential Fish Habitat Hearing, Northwestern Lobster Fishery

The National Marine Fisheries Service (NMFS) will meet with the public AT TOKAI UNIVERSITY, 2241 KAPI'OLANI BOULEVARD ON MAY 20, 1998 AT 7:00 P.M. to discuss essential fish habitat (EFH). Call NMFS in Honolulu at 973-2940 for more (see, 63 F.R. 24522, May 4, 1998). The Western Pacific Fishery Management Council (WPFMC) has issued a final rule **EFFECTIVE MAY 27**, 1998 on the Northwestern Hawaiian Islands Lobster Fishery (see, 63 F.R. 20539, April 27, 1998). The WPFMC will also meet in Honolulu on MAY 8, 1998, FROM 12:00 P.M. TO 4:00 P.M. at 1164 Bishop Street, Suite 1400, to discuss harvest guidelines for the Northwestern Hawaiian Islands lobster fishery (see, 63 F.R. 20168, April 23, 1998). The Pelagics Team will also meet on MAY 6-7, 1998 FROM 8:30 A.M. TO 5:00 P.M. at the same address above (see, 63 F.R. 19474, April 20, 1998). Schedules for amending fishery management plans to incorporate the EFH provisions of the Magnuson-Stevens Act (16 U.S.C. 1855). Call WPFMC at 522-8226 for more (see, 63 F.R. 15376, March 31, 1998).

# Repatriation of Native Remains from Mokapu, Koʻolaupoko

The National Park Service (NPS) has issued a revised notice of inventory completion on native human remains and funerary objects from Ulupa'u, He'eia and Heleloa sand dunes, and various locations, in the control of the U.S. Marine Corps, and at the Bernice Pauahi Bishop Museum. If no claimants come forward before **MAY 22, 1998**, the remains/funerary objects will be repatriated to various 'ohana. Call June Cleghorn, Staff Archaeologist, Marine Corps Base Hawai'i at 257-6920, extension 230 for details (see, 63 F.R. 19939, April 22, 1998).

#### Rule Proscribing Nudity at Kaloko-Honokohau Park, Kona

The National Park Service (NPS) plans to bar all public nudity within Kaloko-Honokohau National Historical Park. The NPS has also determined that the rule is categorically excluded from the procedural requirements of NEPA. Nudists currently use an area fronting one of the park's most important cultural features, 'Aimakapa fishpond. This area is visible from the proposed observation platform and boardwalk trail, both primary destination points for park visitors. Many more of the significant cultural features of the park are located along the beach trail through the area currently used by nudists. All park users must pass along this narrow coastal strip and therefore must confront the nudists. Native Hawaiians, school groups, and other visitors with a strong identity to traditional Hawaiian culture have chosen to abandon their visit to the park rather confront nudists. The NPS notes that public nudity conflicts with the enabling legislation of the park and traditional values of native Hawaiian culture which the park was created to perpetuate and preserve. WRITTEN COMMENTS WILL BE ACCEPTED THROUGH JUNE 19, 1998 and should be addressed to Superintendent, Kaloko-Honokohau National Historical Park, 73-4786 Kanalani Street, No. 14, Kailua-Kona, Hawai'i 96745. Call the Park Service in Honolulu at 541-2693 for details (see, 63 F.R. 19436, April 20, 1998).

#### Public Scoping Meeting in Honolulu on Proposal to Use Herbicides Triclopyr and 2,4-D for Marijuana Eradication

There will be a public scoping meeting on the Drug Enforcement Administration (DEA) draft supplemental EIS (EIS No. 980118) proposing the use of the herbicides triclopyr and 2,4-D for eradication of *Cannabis* (marijuana, hemp). The meeting will be held in Honolulu on **FRIDAY**, **MAY 15, 1998**, from 4:00 to 8:00 P.M. at the Ala Moana Hotel Hibiscus Ballroom, 410 Atkinson Drive. **COMMENTS MUST BE RECEIVED NO LATER THAN JUNE 1, 1998**. Call Jack Edmundson at (301) 734-8565 for details (see, 63 F.R. 19254, April 17, 1998).

#### NEPA Categorical Exclusion for Haemotococcus Color Additive in Salmon Fish Feeds at Keahole, Kona

Cyanotech Corporation, 73-4460 Queen Ka'ahumanu Highway, No. 102, Kailua-Kona, has petitioned (Petition No. CAP 8C0256) the Food and Drug Administration (FDA) to

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amend its regulations to allow *Haemotococcus* algae meal as a color additive in salmonid fish feeds. FDA has determined that this action does not individually or cumulatively have significant effect and as such, no environmental assessment or impact statement is required under NEPA. Call Aydin Orstan of the FDA at (202) 418-3076 for details (see, 63 F.R. 18920, April 16, 1998).

#### Humpback Whales and NEPA Categorical Exclusion for Sedation Research on Hawaiian Monk Seals (*Monachus* schauinslandi)

The National Marine Fisheries Service (NMFS) notes that Rachel Cartwright has applied to take North Pacific humpback whales (Megaptera novaeangliea) for the purposes of scientific research. Call the NMFS in Honolulu at 973-2987 for details (see, 63 F.R. 18378, April 15, 1998). Also, the NMFS's Honolulu Laboratory has requested an amendment to its scientific research permit No. 848-1335 to allow for sedation research on up to ten captive, unreleasable, female Hawaiian monk seals (Monachus schauinslandi). NMFS determined that the activity is categorically excluded under NEPA from the requirement to prepare an environmental assessment or environmental impact statement. Call the NMFS in Honolulu at 973-2941 for details (see, 63 F.R. 18377, April 15, 1998, for detailed information). For both of the above actions, WRITTEN OR TELEFAXED COM-MENTS OR REQUESTS FOR A PUBLIC HEARING MUST BE RECEIVED ON OR BEFORE MAY 15, 1998.

#### **Pacific Missile Range DEIS**

The U.S. Environmental Protection Agency (EPA) notes that comments for the Pacific Missile Range Facility DEIS (EIS No. 980111) are due on or before **MAY 26, 1998**. Call Vida Mossman on Kaua'i at 335-4740 (see, 63 F.R. 17824, April 10, 1998).

#### **Guam Navy Property**

The U.S. Navy will prepare an EIS for the disposal/reuse of surplus U.S. Navy property in Guam. **COMMENTS MUST BE RECEIVED NO LATER THAN MAY 26, 1998**. Call John Bigay of Pearl Harbor at 471-9338 for details (see, 63 F.R. 17824, April 10, 1998).

#### Endangered Species Taking Permit for the Nene, Po'ouli, Maui Parrotbill, 'Akohekohe and 'Alala

The U. S. Fish and Wildlife Service (FWS) announced that the State Department of Land and Natural Resources (DLNR) wants to amend permit No. 840895 to DLNR to take the following endangered birds throughout their ranges as part of a captive breeding/population management activity: nene or Hawaiian Goose (*Nesochen sandvicensis*); po'ouli (*Melamprosops phaeosoma*); Maui parrotbill (*Pseudonestor xantophrys*); 'akohekohe or crested honeycreeper (*Palmeria dolei*); and, 'alala or Hawaiian crow (*Corvus hawaiiensis*). Send written comments on permit amendment No. 840895 to the U.S. Fish and Wildlife Service (FWS) Ecological Services, Chief of the Division of Consultation and Conservation Planning, 911 N.E. 11th Avenue, Portland, Oregon 97232-4181 **ON OR BEFORE MAY 11, 1998** (see, 63 F.R. 17436, April 09, 1998).

#### **Closure of Honolulu Weather Office**

The National Weather Service wants to close its Hawai'i Residual Weather Service Office which would be then automated at FAA Weather Observation Service Level B, with services being provided by the future Honolulu, Hawai'i Weather Forecast Office. **COMMENTS MUST BE RECEIVED BY JUNE 8, 1998** and must be addressed to Tom Beaver, Room 11426, 1325 East-West Highway, Silver Spring, Maryland 20910. Call Mr. Beaver at (301) 713-0300 for details (see, 63 F.R. 17381, April 9, 1998).

#### Centers for Disease Control to Limit Rat Infestation Checks at Various U.S. Ports

After many years of issuing Deratting and Deratting Exemption Certificates at eighteen major ports, the Centers for Disease Control and Prevention (CDC), will conduct rat infestation inspections at **ONLY AT ELEVEN OF THESE PORTS**, including Honolulu. The CDC believes that this move will not jeopardize public health. Contact David Rogers in Atlanta, Georgia at (404) 639-8107 (voice) or (404) 639-2599 (facsimile) or dfr@cdc.gov (email) for details (see, 63 F.R. 17247, April 9, 1998).

# **Letters of Notice**

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OEQC prints "Letters of Notice" to encourage public participation in our EIS system. Your views are welcome. We may edit letters due to limited space. The opinions presented do not necessarily reflect those of OEQC.

#### **Puaena Campgrounds**

OEQC has received many comment letters on the proposed "Eco-Camp." Below are excerpts from letters on several different issues:

From Warren Scoville regarding zoning:
... I am against the proposed development ... because it would be in violation of the current zoning....

Specifically NOT permitted in [the] District [but included in the proposed project] are the following uses or structures: a) Day-care facilities; b) Dwellings, detached, onefamily; c) joint use of parking; & d) roomers." ... per the amendments of Chapter 21, Revised Ordinances of Honolulu 1990, not permitted are "Vacation cabins"... the proposed "eco-tents" are more like "eco-cabins" with a permanent, raised foundation, wood-frame structure, wood decking, with a small kitchen, (& some) cabins with their own bathroom, all of which are designed to last for decades (or longer).... The proposed resort/hotel/transient rentals operations are resort/hotel/business & mixed business uses that can not be legally approved without an official zoning change to same!.... If these laws are ignored or otherwise circumvented... a "class-action" lawsuit ... would be entirely warranted and justified! My suggestions are that a lot of time, energy, effort, and monies could be saved by all parties, agencies and entities involved if a ... decision would be made to: a) halt and terminate the ... development altogether; or b) ... begin the lengthy process for a zoning change; or c) select another site ... which is already zoned properly.

From John Connelly regarding green sea turtles: ... [in the EISPN] I saw nothing concerning the sea turtle and its possible nesting habitat on the lands you propose to develop. I believe the green sea turtle ... was and may still be an endangered specie. Has anyone in your development hierarchy, given all this time already spent, given any study to this potential impact? I have personally witnessed very large (100 lb.+ est.) members of this specie in early morning hours (5-6 a.m.) returning to the sea from clearly excavated sand areas. My assumption is that they were there for more than a good night's sleep. Much is unknown about where they nest but the concern is real and probably shared by most of the residents of the north shore and indeed Hawaii.... I believe that development of Pua'ena Pt. cannot go forward without clear understanding of the impact on the future of these lovely creatures.

Joanne Pettigrew adds: ... According to George Balazs, leader in marine turtle research for the federal NOAA Fisheries in Honolulu, the turtles forage on the macroplankton and red algae found at Kawailoa... Due to the present remoteness of this beach, the turtles bask and nest here.

On beachfront conditions, she writes: The ocean in front of the proposed site is rarely safe for swimming and water activities. Unpredictably high surf batters the site throughout the winter months. I have witnessed an entire group of 20 campers hit by high surf (Thanksgiving Day, 1995) where the pavilion and adjacent swimming pool are [proposed to be] located. At this writing, sand, driftwood and debris cover a significant part of the eastern end of the [former WW-2] airstrip, where waves washed over the site (November, 1997 and January, 1998).

